



**Academy of Visual and Performing Arts
At Culver City High School**

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Eleventh Annual Frost Film Festival

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The Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (AVPA) is proud to welcome young filmmakers from around Los Angeles County to participate in the 11th annual Frost Film Festival. The festival runs Friday and Saturday, January 30 and 31, from 7 pm to 10 pm in the Robert Frost Auditorium, 4401 Elenda Street, Culver City 90230. Admission each night is \$5, and attendees are welcome to donate additional funds to the Film Department.



The event is hosted by Culver City High School's AVPA Film Department who are looking forward to screening films submitted from schools such as Santa Monica High School, Venice High School, Harvard-Westlake, West Torrance High School, Washington Prep, and Pacifica Christian, as well as their own short films.

Two AVPA seniors will premiere their fall films at the festival: Josh Blake directed "The Harry Hastings Method", an adaptation, and Nick Haley directed "Etiolate", an original screenplay. Both Josh and Nick have spent four years of intense study learning all aspects of filmmaking and were assisted by capable crews of students from the film department.

Join our award-winning filmmakers (Best High School Film, Big Bear International Film Festival, 2007 and 2008) for two evenings of creative student film screenings. This year, as always, the entries promise to be as diverse and exceptional as the students who created them. For more information, please call 310-842-4200 ext 3306.

About the Academy of Visual and Performing Arts

The Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (AVPA) at Culver City High School has been inspiring and empowering students to build a compassionate, creative community through innovative and challenging arts education since 1996. AVPA enjoys tremendous support from

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Sony Pictures Entertainment and other area businesses as well as from the Culver City community. For more information about the Academy, go to <http://avpa.org> or contact Tony Spano at 310-842-4200 x6094 or Kristine Hatanaka at 310-842-4200 x6001.

Photo caption:

AVPA Filmmakers Josh Blake, Justin Kelly, Katherine Maxwell, Duncan Ballantine, and Nick Haley

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